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Perot's Revived Candidacy Provokes Strong Hostility Among Former Backers

By Robin Toner New York Times Service NEW YORK — Ross Perot's return to the presidential campaign has been greeted with overwhelming voter hostility, leaving the contest basically unchanged, according to the latest New York Times/CBS News poll.

Just 7 percent voiced a favorable opinion of Mr. Perot, while 59 percent viewed him unfavorably, a marked decline not only from last spring, when Mr. Perot first burst onto the political scene, but also from a CBS poll in late September.



Relatives at the site of the destroyed Dutch apartment house Tuesday as the search for victims of the crash continued.

Boeing Sent Warning on Engine Pins Before Crash

ZURICH — Boeing warned airlines of possible problems with the engine mounts of 747 jumbo jets before a cargo version of the plane smashed into a Dutch apartment building, a Swiss official said Tuesday.

Kuwaiti Opposition Wins Solid Majority Democracy Candidates, Many Islamic, Gain 31 of 50 Seats

By Chris Hedges New York Times Service KUWAIT — Opposition candidates, many of them tied to conservative Islamic groups and all of whom have called for increased democratic rights, won a substantial majority in Kuwait's first parliamentary elections in six years, results showed Tuesday.

1985 parliamentary elections, but fighting between the religious groups makes it doubtful that they will function as a unified bloc.

ment that we hope will exercise its constitutional authority. Women were not allowed to vote, and about 100 staged protests at polling places calling for suffrage.

Report on a Serbian Gulag: 'We Saw the Bodies and Understood'

By Mary Battista Washington Post Service KARLOVAC, Croatia — The former prisoner, a slightly built Slavic Muslim with dark hooded eyes, would not give his name, but his face became slick with sweat as he began talking about the 75 days he spent at the Serb-run Onuznica detention camp in northwestern Bosnia.

"There were 26 bodies," he continued. "Some had half their heads missing; others were missing eyes. They told us to put the bodies on the bulldozer, but it was hard to

"We didn't say anything; there was never any use to say anything. He looked at us, and as if he was being merciful, he said, 'O.K., go wash.' My jeans were full of blood. I couldn't clean them."

and brought here in a convoy of 31 buses. They were the first large group of prisoners released under terms of an accord among Bosnia's three warring factions and the first able to speak freely about their experiences.

against camp inmates — most of them men of military age imprisoned to prevent armed resistance against Serbian militia forces.

Recovery Falts As Europe, Too, Doubts Leaders

By Roger Cohen New York Times Service PARIS — There is a growing divide between what European politicians say and what their electorates believe. This credibility gap, exacerbated by the upheaval on currency markets last month, now appears certain to block any rapid return to financial stability in Europe.



The stock market ticker at a brokerage house in the New York World Trade Center holding the attention of onlookers.

Turmoil Makes Caution the Hot Investment Tip

By Kurt Eichenwald New York Times Service NEW YORK — Individual American investors have rarely had it so tough. With low interest rates tarnishing the value of safe investments like certificates of deposit, investors scurrying for yield have turned increasingly to the stock market — only to get another sharp reminder this week that equities are a very volatile investment.

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UN TO Pursue War Crimes UNITED NATIONS, New York (AP) — Responding to reports of massacres, "ethnic cleansing" and brutality against civilians, the Security Council voted unanimously Tuesday to set up a war crimes commission to investigate atrocities in the former Yugoslavia.

Dow Jones Trib Index

Table showing market indices: Dow Jones (Down 0.81), Trib Index (Up 0.18%), The Dollar, DM, Pound, Yen, FF.

High-Tech Columboes Seek Intelligent New Worlds

By John Noble Wilford New York Times Service NEW YORK — Astronomers, moving beyond philosophical musings and science-fiction fantasy, are about to mount the first comprehensive search for evidence of intelligent life elsewhere in the universe.

through the interstellar void. By monitoring millions of microwave channels at radio telescopes around the world, astronomers think they may be able to eavesdrop on any such signals.

ancient Greece, the philosopher Metrodorus said, "To consider the earth as the only populated world in infinite space is as absurd as to assert that in an entire field of millet, only one grain will grow."

some other solar-type stars among the several hundred million stars in the Milky Way galaxy? Indirect evidence for planetary systems around other stars is increasing, though it is not yet conclusive.

Yeltsin Criticizes His Own Reformists

He Questions Current Tactics, But Vows Continued Change

By Fred Hiatt
Washington Post Service
MOSCOW — President Boris N. Yeltsin distanced himself from his government's policy of radical economic reform on Tuesday, attacking two of his pro-reform ministers by name and mustering only a lukewarm defense of Yegor T. Gaidar, the acting prime minister and the chief architect of reform.

passively as Mr. Gaidar delivered a combative pledge not to retreat from his course of radical reform. "The strategy we offer of rapid restructuring and opening our economy to the world has no alternative today," he said.

Speaking to parliament and a national television audience as the value of the ruble continued to plummet on currency markets here, Mr. Yeltsin said that Mr. Gaidar and his team had taken "tough and painful measures without due regard for people's feelings."

Mr. Yeltsin's remarks reflected the increasing political strength of what have been labeled centrist forces, chiefly the directors of state-owned factories dismayed by dwindling production and subsidies. Mr. Yeltsin said that such forces, led by Alexander A. Titkin and his Ministry of Industry for having "so far failed to rid themselves of their desire to stay in charge of everyone and everything."

The value of the ruble has nosedived recently, falling Tuesday from 309 to 342 to the dollar. In late August, a dollar could buy about 150 rubles.

Mr. Yeltsin said he was "profoundly dissatisfied" with Mr. Avon's ministry, which he said "lacks competence, promptness and resolution and consistency in defending Russia's interests."



Supporters of President Boris N. Yeltsin demonstrating on Tuesday in front of the Russian parliament.

Mr. Nechayev, for his part, "has made a series of wrong moves," Mr. Yeltsin said. And then, as if to balance his attack, the president would resign if he lost his chief allies from the government.

Mr. Avon and other Gaidar allies said they did not interpret Mr. Yeltsin's remarks as an invitation to resign, although other officials thought differently. But Mr. Avon said Mr. Gaidar was "exhausted" from fighting the Volky forces, and he suggested that the personal attacks could lead to policy changes.

Georgia Cites 'Intervention'

Agence France-Press
SOCHI, Russia — Georgia's vice prime minister, Alexander Kavatsadze, on Tuesday blamed Russia for the rout of Georgian forces in the separatist region of Abkhazia. He denounced what he called "the intervention of foreign forces," which he said led to "practically the annexation of a part of Georgian territory."

Amid the Chaos, Russian Farmers Find Some Fertile Ground

By Serge Schmemmann
New York Times Service
GRIGORPOLISSKAYA, Russia — Ask about the "free market" or "reform" and people out on these fertile south Russian plains begin to snarl. But ask about the price of wheat or the cost of fuel, and the animated patter tells a different story. A year since the government began to wean agriculture from the buggy inefficient Soviet system, some tender new shoots of market economics are appearing in the hardened old collective farms, the *kolkhozes*.

ship. But what is already clear is that the Rossiya kolkhoz, much like the country it is named after, is learning to look to the bottom line. For one thing, it has become a real cooperative, in which all the workers and pensioners have a formal share. Even the fields look better, because workers have been far more careful harvesting.

people for not rushing to take down their Lenins. Reforms came and went with brutal regularity under the czars and under the Bolsheviks, who granted land, then took it away, always binding the peasant, or peasant, to the land, and always in the end blaming him for the resulting disaster.

Wages have always been decent. Today, kolkhoz workers can earn between 3,000 and 5,000 rubles a month, well above the 2,000-ruble poverty line, plus a share of the crop and of the profits.

'We're not used to all this yet, of course. All our life we worked on stern diktat from above.'

Alexei P. Zalkin, farm official
tor used to entail little more than receiving and dispensing state-owned grain. Now she slips naturally into bargaining. Discussing the ruble price per kilogram of wheat, she said: "If we buy at 12, we have to sell at 21 or 22 to make ends meet. Break-even is 17, with the value-added tax. But here's the problem: I just talked to Yaroslavl and offered them 3,000 tons for 25. They just said no. On the exchanges they're offering 20 to 22, so I had to go for 20."

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This is a country where we create problems and then take great pride in overcoming them.

Mikhail G. Solovyei, agronomist
Russia's farms will be large associations, 20 percent small cooperatives, and 20 percent individual farms, with 10 percent remaining with the state. The immediate challenge is to survive the transition. "We are now in a crisis period, in a period of survival," Mr. Khlyustin said. "If there is no further calamity, we should finish the privatization by next spring. But it will take another 10 to 12 years to set up the banks, the services, the infrastructure. All that depends on the state of the economy."

Serbs, Hoping to Avoid UN Mandate, Pledge to Halt Flights

Reuters
BELGRADE — A Bosnian Serb official said Tuesday that Serbian military flights over Bosnia-Herzegovina would stop, the official Belgrade press agency Tanjug reported.

due to begin discussing an exclusion zone by Wednesday, although how it will be enforced is not known. Britain and France are not expected to agree with a U.S. proposal to immediately enforce the zone with fighter planes.

The draft resolution calls for a commission to conduct investigations and report findings and recommendations to the council. The resolution asks for parties to submit "substantiated information" on violations of human rights statutes, especially the 1949 Geneva Conventions on the treatment of civilians in wartime, within 30 days after the resolution is adopted.

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Bonn Seeks Laws to Curb Violent Right and Mafia

Reuters
BONN — Conservatives in parliament demanded sweeping measures Tuesday, including wider surveillance powers and preventive detention to stem both rightist violence and organized crime.

against the far right. He and the Christian Democratic parliamentary group support preventive detention of "traveling serial rioters."

WORLD BRIEFS

Major Faces Down Tory Rebellion

BRIGHTON, England (UPI) — Prime Minister John Major bowed to a growing rebellion within his own Conservative Party on Tuesday over his support of the Treaty on European Union, as delegates to an annual party conference voted their grudging support for Mr. Major's decision to seek quick approval of the controversial pact.

Gorbachev Again Refuses to Testify

MOSCOW (AFP) — Mikhail S. Gorbachev, the former Soviet president, said Tuesday that he was willing to meet informally with members of Russia's Constitutional Court in hearings concerning the ban on Communist Party, but he reiterated his refusal to formally testify.

Tokyo Hedges on Plutonium Route

TOKYO (AP) — Japan intends to avoid all territorial waters when it ships a ton of plutonium from France but cannot guarantee that it will be able to do so, the official in charge of the shipment said Tuesday.

Malaysia Plans to Monitor Journalists

KUALA LUMPUR (Reuters) — Malaysia will enforce a new ruling aimed at monitoring journalists and preventing foreign reporters from tarnishing the image of the country's leaders, information Minister Mohammad Rahmat said Tuesday.

Justices Ponder Abortion Blockades

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration urged the U.S. Supreme Court on Tuesday to keep federal judges from stopping abortion clinic blockades, but a lawyer for clinic owners said that would cripple abortion rights.

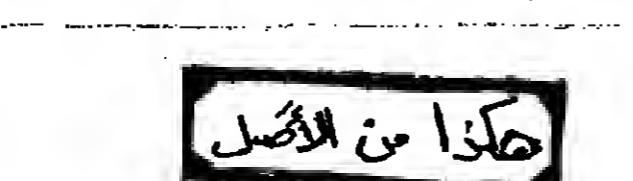
TRAVEL UPDATE

USAir managers replaced striking ground crews at the sixth-largest airline in the United States, but hundreds of flights were canceled and passengers were forced to wait or scramble for new arrangements. Mediators were staying in touch with both sides, but no negotiations were scheduled, a USAir spokesman said Tuesday.

The Weather

Forecast for Thursday through Saturday

Region	Today			Tomorrow		
	High	Low	Wx	High	Low	Wx
North America	22/10	8/3	14/17	11/21	7/13	11/21
Europe	14/17	6/8	14/17	11/21	7/13	11/21
Asia	22/10	8/3	14/17	11/21	7/13	11/21
Africa	22/10	8/3	14/17	11/21	7/13	11/21
Oceania	22/10	8/3	14/17	11/21	7/13	11/21



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U.S. Aide Challenges Clinton on Trade Pact

WASHINGTON — Carla A. Hills, the U.S. trade representative, said that Bill Clinton was "just dead wrong" in his specific criticisms of a new free-trade pact with Canada and Mexico.

Mr. Clinton supports the North American Free Trade Agreement but said recently that it contained "glaring deficiencies" that he would fix were he elected president. But Mrs. Hills called the pact that she negotiated "a very good agreement" and dismissed Mr. Clinton's criticisms as "disingenuous."

"Either he is not informed and his people are not informed, or he is deliberately trying to keep constituencies that have differing points of view," she added.

Mrs. Hills defended President George Bush's program for helping workers who lose jobs because of the pact as being "long-range" and "innovative," while Mr. Clinton characterized it as "more generous than anything he has said before," but "still way too little too late."

Mrs. Hills also attacked Mr. Clinton's criticism of cross-border rules that he said would allow ill-trained Mexican drivers onto U.S. highways, his charge that Mexican strikebreakers would be allowed in the United States under temporary permits for business leaders and his complaint that the pact does not protect U.S. industries from surges of imports from Mexico. (WP)

Ex-Perot Economic Advisor Backs Clinton

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas — John P. White, the economist and businessman who helped devise Ross Perot's recommendations for reducing the federal budget deficit, has endorsed Bill Clinton, saying that the Democrat had "an excellent economic plan" that would return the country to a "sound footing."

A Clinton campaign official said the endorsement by a respected economist who has worked on resolving the budget deficit "buttresses Bill Clinton's program and further legitimizes it."

Mr. White, a vice president of Eastman Kodak Co., said he decided to endorse Mr. Clinton as his work on the deficit reduction plan for Mr. Perot's organization was ending last month. He said he told Mr. Perot at the time that he could not approve of the Texan's plans to re-enter the presidential race. (NYT)

White House Tries to Save Face for First Lady

WASHINGTON — Barbara Bush enjoys an image of a warm and fuzzy grandmother who cares little about the trappings of beauty — an image she apparently would like to preserve.

So when The Houston Post revealed that it had received a \$75 bill from a cosmetics shop made up Mrs. Bush for a photo session, the first lady's press secretary "went ballistic," a Post reporter said.

"She was irate," says Clifford Pugh of a call from Anna Perez. "She went on so long that I was sure it was a joke." It wasn't. She said that news organizations are regularly billed for Mrs. Bush's makeup sessions, adding that while Mrs. Bush normally "doesn't wear makeup," it was standard practice to pass on cosmetic costs associated with photographs or TV interviews.

A profile by Mr. Pugh and a column by another writer emphasized the bill, sent by a Virginia woman who is under contract to the "Today" television program.

Mr. Pugh said that the press secretary pointedly assured him that the newspaper would receive no more makeup bills from the White House, which he interpreted to mean "no more interviews." (WP)

Quote-Unquote

Bill Clinton, on whether his lack of a military record is an issue: "That's a matter of honest disagreement. But I just disagree, and history indicates we have had a lot of good commanders in chief with no military service." (AP)

Away From the Hustings

- About 15,000 city employees stopped work in Philadelphia two weeks after the mayor imposed a new cost-cutting contract. The dispute, which the unions called a lockout and the city called a strike, affected garbage collectors, water and sewage workers, city hall clerks, inspectors, social workers, operators for the emergency phone line and others. Police officers, fire fighters, prison guards, transit workers and school personnel were not affected.
- A Russian cosmonaut will ride a U.S. space shuttle next year, and a U.S. astronaut will be aboard the Russian space station Mir in 1995 on a mission during which it will dock with a U.S. shuttle, under agreements signed in Moscow by U.S. and Russian space officials.
- Homestead, Florida, has stopped issuing mobile home permits for six months, pending completion of a review of safety standards following the hurricane that devastated the city and other parts of South Florida in August.
- New Jersey can lay off 1,500 unionized state workers now that the state supreme court has lifted a temporary injunction against the job cuts, the largest in the state's history.
- Two of nine Iran-contra counts against Clair E. George, the former chief of CIA covert operations, would be dropped if a federal judge approves prosecutors' requests to do so. A four-week trial of Mr. George ended with a hung jury in August. The motion came two weeks before his retrial was scheduled to start.
- DNA tests led to the setting aside of rape charges against a Long Island, New York, man who had spent nearly six years in prison. Prosecutors said tests on semen on the victim's clothes showed that the man, Leonard Callace could not have been the attacker.
- The death toll from tornadoes in the Tampa Bay, Florida, area, rose to four with the discovery of a body in a demolished trailer park, and officials estimated property losses at a minimum of \$32 million.
- A bill making armed "carjackings" a federal crime punishable by up to 15 years in prison, or life imprisonment if death results, has been approved by the House of Representatives. Sponsors predicted that the Senate would approve the legislation and send it to President George Bush before adjourning. (AP, WP, NYT)

Perot, From TV Studio, Says Bush Avoids the 'Front Lines'

DALLAS — Ross Perot suggested in a broadcast interview this week that President George Bush was a captive of the White House who was out of touch with the people, saying, "You've got to get out there on the front lines and taste it."

But the independent candidate, who was set to unveil a 30-minute campaign commercial Tuesday, announced no plans of his own to move out of the television studio and onto the campaign trail.

Mr. Perot also denigrated the notion of shorter commercials in the interview on the NBC "Today" show Monday, saying "You can't cover much in one minute."

But his television coordinator, Murphy Martin, again seemed to take a contradictory approach when he said that "an ample supply" of 30-second, 60-second, 90-second, and 120-second advertisements had been produced.

After Mr. Perot complained that questions from

host of "Today," Bryant Gumbel, focused on character and not issues, Mr. Perot rejected an offer from Mr. Gumbel to extend the interview for seven minutes to talk about the economy.

"Unfortunately I have got to go out to a meeting," the candidate said.

If bought as advertising time, the extra seven minutes would have cost \$252,000 to \$280,000, NBC officials said. Earlier in the interview, Mr. Perot, who was ranked this week by Forbes magazine as the 19th wealthiest of the 73 billionaires in the nation, asserted that his campaign budgeting would be prudent because "I'm spending my money."

Mr. Perot spent much of his interview with Mr. Gumbel asserting that Republican strategists — "with the press holding hands with them every step of the way" — had orchestrated a campaign to sully his reputation. He also denied that his intent in returning to the race last week was to be a spoiler.

Mr. Perot and his senior aides dismissed the notion

that he had begun planning his re-entry almost immediately after announcing on July 16 that he would not be a candidate, a notion suggested in articles in Newsweek and in several newspapers published this week.

Orson Swindle, the executive director of United We Stand, America, Mr. Perot's political organization, confirmed that Mr. Perot had used the phrase "October surprise" in a meeting with volunteer leaders on July 18, as Newsweek reported. But he said that the reference had been misinterpreted.

"We often use terms, but there is a difference between using a term in reference to something or promising to do something," he said.

Mr. Swindle said that Mr. Perot's disappointed supporters had pleaded with him at the meeting to reconsider his decision and that he had agreed to do so.

"He said, 'You know if we decide to go forward, you know, who knows what happens? Let's see what the candidates do. You know if they totally disappoint us

and don't do anything, maybe we'll reconsider.'" Mr. Swindle said. "And it may have been in that context he talked about an October surprise. I don't deny that word was used, but Mr. Perot never said, he never promised, any October surprise. The man was not going to run."

Mr. Perot is scheduled to run the first of his 30-minute commercials on Tuesday at 8 P.M. eastern daylight time on CBS, just before the opening game of the National League pennant series. A second 30-minute ad will be shown Friday night.

The Tuesday advertisement consists largely of Mr. Perot looking straight into a camera and speaking about the economy, according to Mr. Martin and Dennis D. McClain, an Irving, Texas, advertising executive who helped produce it. As in his appearances on talk shows, Mr. Perot refers occasionally to charts and graphs, they said.

Mr. McClain said that Mr. Perot had written "98 percent" of the script himself.



Barbara Bush reading to second-year schoolchildren at a bookstore in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania.

A Mystery in the Clinton File

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration has refused to clarify reports that it is investigating possible tampering with the passport records of Bill Clinton, but has fueled partisan suspicions of skulduggery by suggesting that the FBI might eventually report on the matter.

The State Department spokesman, Richard A. Boucher, was bombarded with questions at a briefing this week about a report by Newsweek magazine that the FBI had been called to investigate after State Department officials who reviewed Mr. Clinton's passport file found "that several pages appeared to be ripped out."

Mr. Boucher responded: "The FBI, if it believes it appropriate to do so, may comment on this at a later date. The State Department doesn't have any comment."

In fact, the FBI had no comment, a spokesman said. The agency also refused to confirm that it was involved in an investigation of Mr. Clinton's passport file.

The official statements promptly

ed a wide range of partisan speculation among Democrats and Republicans, who variously suggested that Democrats may have sought to cover up potentially damaging information in Mr. Clinton's record, that Republicans may have removed such information to leak it to the press, or that reports of the FBI's involvement may have been intended to cast a shadow on one side or another.

Administration officials said the State Department and FBI statements Monday were meant to signal a degree of uncertainty about the case. One official said it is now up to the FBI to decide "whether there is anything to look into." Another source suggested that the FBI hoped to come to a decision on the matter as quickly as possible.

The reports about the passport file coincided with insinuations by some Republicans that a visit Mr. Clinton paid to the Soviet Union in 1970 may have had to do with the anti-war movement or with giving up his U.S. citizenship to avoid the draft.

A statement issued by the Bush

campaign, echoing a report in The Washington Times, charged that Mr. Clinton "turned up" in the Soviet Union "six weeks after he helped organize a massive anti-war protest in London."

Mr. Clinton suggested this week that the Republicans' focus on the trip he made to Moscow was part of a smear campaign.

Mr. Clinton, appearing on a special edition of the CNN program "Larry King Live," said the visit was part of a holiday.

"I was born an American," Mr. Clinton said. "I've always wanted to be one."

He said he had no idea why his passport file may have been tampered with.

"I didn't even know I had a State Department file until this rumor came up," he said in the interview.

Sources said Mr. Clinton's passport file was originally pulled because of several requests under the Freedom of Information Act from news organizations investigating the trip, taken during a school vacation from Oxford. (WP, AP)

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Congress, Overriding Bush Veto, Is Now 1 for 36

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

WASHINGTON — For the first time in 36 attempts, Congress has overridden a veto by President George Bush, approving legislation to regulate cable television companies.

The bill itself, which would impose government controls on rates for basic cable services and for cable equipment and would seek to encourage competition, was almost lost in the politics of the moment. Democrats, who have waited four years to defeat Mr. Bush on such a test of strength, exulted, and Republicans split over what the vote meant.

The Senate minority leader, Bob Dole, Republican of Kansas, said the vote Monday night was an effort to embarrass Mr. Bush. But Senator John C. Danforth, Republican of Missouri, who is a sponsor of the bill, said the vote was only a "disagreement."

In the end, Republican votes were critical to the 74-10-25 Senate margin and to the vote of 308 to 114 in the House, both well over the two-thirds majority required to override a veto.

The vote on the cable bill was both a setback for Mr. Bush at a time when his struggling campaign for re-election hardly needs any reverses and an apparent sign of his eroding political influence.

And even though one setback after a string of successful vetoes hardly proves his basic veto strategy a failure, it undermines his campaign argument that legislative "gridlock" is caused by Democrats in Congress.

In other developments as Congress neared the end of its session, the House barely approved a catchall tax bill Tuesday and adjourned.

The House adjourned shortly before Senator Alfonse M. D'Amato, Republican of New York, ended a more than 15-hour filibuster that had threatened the tax bill in the Senate. He and Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan, a Democrat who is New York's other senator, had been demanding that Congress take action to help workers at a Smith Corona Corp. plant in Cortland, New York, that is closing.

It was not immediately clear why Mr. D'Amato had called off his talkathoo.

The future of two other bills in the Senate — an energy bill and a package of Western water projects — was clouded by threats of other filibusters.

The Senate faced the possibility of having to return Thursday, following the Yom Kippur holiday, to complete the bills.

The final tax bill had been stripped of Mr. D'Amato's amendment to help companies such as Smith-Corona. The corporation says it is being forced out by unfair competition from foreign-owned companies that assemble in this country typewriters made from foreign parts.

The House majority leader, Richard A. Gephardt, Democrat of Missouri, had said earlier Tuesday that the House would not agree to alter the tax bill to satisfy Mr. D'Amato.

Republican leaders predicted that if the

tax bill made its way through the Senate, it would be vetoed by the president.

Mr. Bush's weekend efforts to win support from his party for his veto of the cable television bill were a failure. In the Senate, for example, 24 Republicans joined 50 Democrats in voting to override, with 18 Republicans and 7 Democrats voting to sustain.

In this case, lawmakers — who have their own elections to worry about — could vote for legislation sure to please most cable television consumers, regardless of how much the bill will actually affect cable prices.

The president's argument that the bill would ultimately raise cable rates and that prices could be lowered through increased competition did not sway votes. Cable prices have risen as three times the rate of inflation since Congress allowed most franchise owners to begin setting their own rates in 1986.

Indeed, many lawmakers wondered privately why Mr. Bush had chosen to make a stand on this issue, concluding either that he felt strongly on the principle or had lost track of the likelihood of defeat.

He said Tuesday that the veto had been overridden because the TV broadcast networks had conducted "a very good sales job" on Capitol Hill.

The embattled tax bill began as Mr. Bush's "enterprise zone" plan for improving inner cities and blighted rural areas in the wake of the Los Angeles riots in April. Lawmakers added many projects of their own as well as

three dozen targeted tax increases worth \$27 billion over five years to pay for them.

Those tax increases, according to the House Republican leader, Robert H. Michel of Illinois, will lead to a presidential veto.

In addition to authorizing 50 enterprise zones, with incentives for businesses and investors to create jobs, the bill would make tax-deductible individual retirement accounts available to all but the richest workers; repeal luxury taxes on yachts and furs, and renew a dozen tax breaks for business and individuals that expired in June.

The House passed and sent to the Senate a bill raising the ceiling on home mortgages insured by the Federal Housing Administration to \$151,725 in about 20 high-cost areas. The current ceiling is \$124,875.

Congress cleared for Mr. Bush's signature the last of the 13 money bills that will finance the government over the next 12 months. Included was \$14 billion for foreign aid. Israel would get \$3 billion; Egypt, \$2.1 billion, and the former Soviet republics, up to \$417 million. The bill guarantees \$10 billion of loans that would be used to build housing and create jobs for Jewish immigrants in Israel.

Another measure appropriates \$250 billion for the military, including \$3.8 billion for the Strategic Defense Initiative's anti-missile system and money to continue building a 20-plane fleet of B-2 Stealth bombers. (NYT, AP)

AMERICAN TOPICS

Endless TV Variety, Via Dial-a-Program

A new television system enables subscribers to turn on whatever they want to watch whenever they want to watch it. The New York Times reports. Viewers are freed forever from the rigid schedules of traditional broadcast channels, cable systems and pay-per-view movies. It thus resembles the video cassette system, but without bothering with cassettes.

Early next year two companies, New York Telephone and Liberty Cable Television, will begin a yearlong test of this first video dial tone system in the United States. Programs will be transmitted over fiber-optic telephone lines to three large apartment buildings in Manhattan.

Viewers can dial up an on-screen listing of an almost unlimited variety of programs, from reruns of old comedies to foreign soccer games that would cut draw enough viewers to sustain

regular time slots on cable channels.

For example, if a viewer switched on the set at 10:37 P.M. and wanted to see, say, "The Last of the Mohicans," all he would have to do is dial it up.

machine when it flipped over on top of her, breaking her collar bone and three ribs. "He's my hero forever," Mrs. Bullis said of her rescuer. "I don't know how he did it. Just that extra adrenaline. I guess," John said that when Mrs. Bullis gets out of the hospital, "she said she would buy me a pizza."

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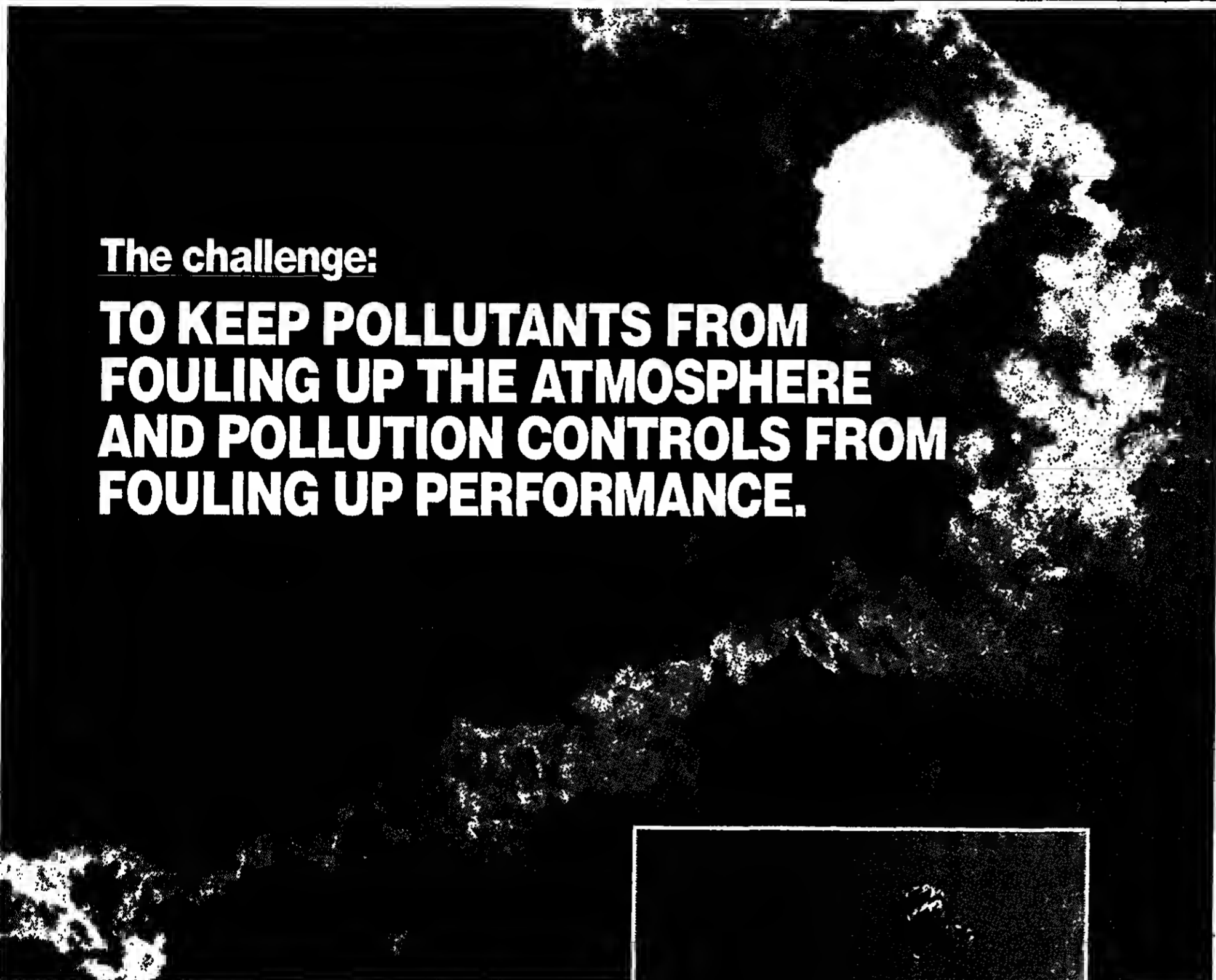
Nine out of 10 of the 1,200 children under 15 killed in home fires every year lived in homes without working smoke detectors, according to the National Safe Kids Campaign, a nonprofit group run by Children's Hospital in Washington. "It is tragic," Jim Coyle, a federal safety official, told The Washington Post. "We have example upon example where people had smoke detectors but they weren't working." Typically, the batteries are dead, or people remove them to stop nuisance alarms caused when detectors are installed too close to the kitchen stove.

The Playboy interview is now 30 years old. Among those who have submitted to its lengthy questioning are Vladimir Nabokov, Fidel Castro, Jean-Paul Sartre, Betty Friedan, Malcolm X, Martin Luther King and Bertrand Russell. Interview subjects are grilled for at least six hours, sometimes as long as 40. Murry Fisher, who edited the early interviews, explained the technique: "You let them exhaust their inventory of defense mechanisms, and after three or four hours you're down to bedrock. That's when it gets interesting."

Nine-year-old John Dow of Vienna, Virginia, at 72 pounds (33 kilograms) and 4 feet 6 inches (137 centimeters), managed to lift a 400-pound power lawn mower enough for Pat Bullis, 59, to crawl out from under. Mrs. Bullis had been pinned under the

Chi Chi Rodriguez, the professional golfer, said of his Puerto Rican accent, "I asked my caddy for a sand wedge and 10 minutes later he came back with a ham on rye."

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Denholm Elliott, British Actor, Dies

LONDON — Denholm Elliott, 70, one of Britain's leading character actors for four decades, died at his home on the island of Ibiza on Tuesday.

His agent, Jean Diamond, said he had died as a result of "tuberculosis which was AIDS related."

Mr. Elliott had a distinguished career in the world of stage and film over more than 40 years, playing seedy characters with weather-beaten faces and a penchant for booze.

His film roles included "A Room With a View," "Alfie," "The Cruel Sea," "Raiders of the Lost Ark" and "Trading Places."

Mr. Elliott rarely played the leading man but earned a reputation for being an expert scene-stealer.

"I would rather stay in the second line," he once said. "As a character actor you get interesting parts, you earn good money and get enough time off to enjoy it, and you're in a very good position to steal the film."

In World War II, while serving in the Royal Air Force, he was shot down over Denmark and spent three years as a prisoner in Silesia.

His film career took off after the war when he was chosen by the director David Lean for his 1949 movie "The Sound Barrier." A string of other films soon followed, including "The Cruel Sea" in 1953, "They Who Dare" in 1954 and "Pacific Destiny" in 1956.

But it was his performance as the sleazy, back-street abortionist in the 1966 film "Alfie" that marked the turning point in his career.

"I started to get interesting parts when the bloom of youth was gone and I became immensely haggard," he said.

Mocking his profession, he said: "Actors should be like shrimps against sand — barely noticeable but registering their passing."

Eddie Kendricks, 52, Member of Temptations

BIRMINGHAM, Alabama (AP) — Eddie Kendricks, 52, a founding member of the Temptations and the falsetto lead for such hits as "The Way You Do the Things You Do," died Monday of lung cancer.

When the Temptations were formed in Detroit in 1961, the group consisted of Mr. Kendricks, Otis Williams, Melvin Franklin, Paul Williams and Elbridge Bryant. David Ruffin replaced Mr. Bryant in 1964 and the group signed with the Motown label.

The group had its first No. 1 hit with "My Girl" in 1965, followed by "It's Growing" and "Since I Lost My Baby" that same year.

"Eddie just had that great, great tenor voice that just was so captivating," Esther Edwards, the Temptations' first manager and the sister of Motown's founder, Berry Gordy Jr., said recently.

The Temptations went on to become Motown's most successful male group.

David von Schlegell, Abstract Sculptor

David von Schlegell, 72, an abstract sculptor and painter who was also a professor emeritus at the Yale University School of Art, died Monday at St. Raphael's Hospital in New Haven, Connecticut.

He had been ill for some time with prostate cancer and died of a stroke, said his wife, Susan Howe.

Mr. von Schlegell's father was William von Schlegell, an American Impressionist painter. David von Schlegell turned to sculpture in the early 1960s after building his house in Ogunquit, Maine.

He evolved a vocabulary of streamlined abstract forms and planes, often held in place by rigging wire, that reflected his knowledge of Constructivism and as well as his lifelong interest in yacht and airplane design.

Ernest Volwiler, 99, a former Abbott Laboratories president who helped develop sodium pentothal, or "truth serum," and the sleep-inducing drug Nembutal, died Saturday in Lake Forest, Illinois.

Maggie Cover Robinson, 88, whose efforts to overcome her own impoverished background and inspire her children to pursue higher education were recounted in a biography and in a television documentary, died Sept. 28 in East Chicago, Indiana, of septicemia.

Bruce W. Vorhauer, the inventor of the Today contraceptive sponge, who made millions and ran for the U.S. Senate but later fell on hard times, apparently committed suicide, Mootana authorities said.

Margaret Lee Weil, 70, a journalist who had worked for the Buffalo Evening News, The New York Times, NBC News, United Press International and National Educational Television, died of cancer Sept. 26 in London.

Antonello Maresca, 65, a former correspondent for the Italian television network RAI at the United Nations, in New York and in Hong Kong, died of lung cancer Tuesday in New York.



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For South African Blacks, a Homespun Christianity Endures

By Bill Keller
New York Times Service

QUEENSTOWN, South Africa — On May 24, 1921, the men of an obscure black Christian sect called the Israelites put on their Old Testament white robes, strapped crude swords to their hips and followed their prophet into battle.

On a field of thorn bushes and red dust at Bulhoek, near this outpost, the Israelites confronted the largest peacetime police contingent that had ever assembled in this country: 800 men armed with rifles, machine guns and artillery.

When the slaughter was over, few doubted that one of the more unusual experiments in African Christianity had ended.

But 71 years later, the Israelites are enjoying a remarkable resurgence, which black Christians say is part of a general exodus from mainline Western churches to those with indigenous African character.

The Israelites are gaining adherents with an abstinence way of life, a liturgy that borrows from the Old Testament and black American evangelism, and — most surprising to an outsider, given their historical grievance — a coexistence that politics, even voting, is taboo.

The Israelites are one of an estimated 3,500 independent churches in South Africa that have either sprung off from missionary denominations or sprung up on their own.

"The mainline churches were led by whites from abroad who were very sweet on Sunday — 'We are all God's children' — then on Monday to Friday they were involved in making oppressive laws," said the Reverend Kenosi Mofokeng, general secretary of the African Spiritual Churches Association, with 500 member churches.

The independent churches grew up to accommodate black equality and African traditions. For example, many churches (not including the Israelites) allow a polygamous man to join, along with his families, although he is forbidden to take additional wives thereafter.

Enoch Mjijima, who founded the Israelites in 1907, was a lay preacher who left the Wesleyan Methodist Church after an apocalyptic vision of a war between blacks and whites. His disciples regard themselves as the real children of Israel, descendants of the biblical Jacob. They observe the Sabbath on Saturday and celebrate Passover as their main religious festival, but they are Christians. They hold that Jesus was black.

One of Mr. Mjijima's early disciples had been baptized in a black American denomination, and through this contact the Israelites acquired African-American spirituals that they still sing.

Each year at Passover, the faithful from all over gathered near the prophet's home, in the shadow of a mountain called Nabelanga. In 1919, they began locating there permanently, building a tidy settle-

ment of mud-brick houses where they could await the world's end.

The government of Prime Minister Jan Christian Smuts, egged on, Israelites say, by resentful Methodists, told them to disperse. God, they replied, had told them to stay.

"The prophet told us we were going to die, and we were ready," said Reuben Nkomo, who is believed to be the last survivor of the 500 Israelite men who faced the guns with their biblical weapons. "At noon, there was one shot from the police side, and then we ran toward them."

The shooting lasted perhaps 20 minutes. When it was over, Mr. Nkomo, now 89, had a bullet hole above his heart; his father lay dead. Official accounts report 183 dead and 100 wounded. Church leaders maintain that at least twice that many were killed. The Israelites succeeded in wounding one policeman and killing a horse.

Those who were not killed or wounded, including the prophet Enoch Mjijima, were shipped off to prisons, and the seat township was demolished.

Today, the gleaming white Israelite church on the outskirts of Queenstown attracts more worshippers than the Wesleyan Methodist church from which the founding prophet defected. New parishes have sprouted as far afield as Cape Town and Natal and Soweto, drawing an estimated 15,000 members who vow to eschew drinking, smoking, politics and extramarital sex.

The rejection of politics is not an uncommon doctrine among African independent churches. Many whites point to this with relief, as evidence of a docile black "silent majority" that will not support the African National Congress in its bid for power.

Others say the whites who take solace from the apolitical black churches are engaging in wishful thinking.

"If I complain about what is done to me by the government, that is politics," said Father Mofokeng of the African Spiritual Churches Association. "They can wish us away, but our numbers are increasing daily, and when election day comes, we will never stay at home."

Gideon Ntoko, a Queenstown evangelist, conceded that on one occasion even the prophet Enoch Mjijima was moved to partisanship.

In 1924, Mr. Ntoko said, the prophet, just out of prison, announced that he was praying for General J.B.M. Hertzog and his National Party to defeat Mr. Smuts in the general elections.

He reasoned that General Hertzog, a racist visionary, would be so obnoxious that blacks would rise up and the apocalypse would come sooner.

"The mountain that the African National Congress is pushing is the same mountain we are pushing," Mr. Ntoko said. "But they are doing it in the flesh and we are doing it in spirit."

China Party Readies Leadership Shuffle

First Congress Since 1987 Likely to Advance Reform

By Nicholas D. Kristof
New York Times Service

BEIJING — The Communist Party is preparing for a rare congress that will convene next week to reshuffle the national leadership and establish a party line that is supposed to last for the next five years.

The party congress, the first to be held since 1987, is expected to confirm the rise of more pragmatic, change-minded officials within the leadership and to launch a new slogan: the building of a "socialist market economy."

No one knows just what a "socialist market economy" is, and that may be part of the attraction. The term is vague enough to be acceptable to all groups, while still sounding bold and reform-minded.

The authorities have given few details about the congress, the 14th since the Chinese Communist Party was formed more than seven decades ago, except that it will begin on Monday. Still, they have hailed its importance, with Prime Minister Li Peng describing it last week as "a major event in our country's political life."

"We are sure that it will give a fresh impetus to reform, opening up and our economic development, and become an important milestone in the history of the Chinese Communist Party and China's socialist modernization," Mr. Li said.

The party congress will approve a work report that is supposed to set the tone for the next five years, and it will also choose a new Central Committee. The Central Committee, in turn, will choose a new Politburo.

In fact, all the crucial decisions have been made in advance by the handful of octogenarians who hold ultimate power in China, and the congress is less a forum for decisions than a platform for self-promotion — a Chinese version of a national political convention in the United States. Among the key differences are that party congress speeches can last for hours, many of the proceedings are secret, and there is no election afterward to put it all in perspective.

The congress is expected to be important in that it will presumably anoint the team of leaders who will preside over the transition after the death of Deng Xiaoping, the ailing paramount leader. But the same was said of the previous congress in 1987.

Mr. Deng appeared at the 1987 congress but there is no sign that he will turn up this time. He is 88, and rarely appears in public now.

"There seems no question that the congress is intended to be a strong reaffirmation of the Deng Xiaoping line of reform and openness," said a Western diplomat in Beijing. "We expect that the new Central Committee and the new Politburo in particular will basically reflect that, in the sense that there will be a strengthening of the reform and moderate forces."

While the personnel decisions have presumably already been made, the rumors about who will be promoted vary considerably. By almost all accounts, the Politburo will be expanded from its present membership of 14, and most of the likely candidates are relatively young and enthusiastic about markets — for goods, if not ideas.

The most powerful rulers of China, all octogenarians like Mr. Deng, are nominally retired and will not be shuffled. Among the younger leaders who hold formal positions, the two most important — Mr. Li and General Secretary Jiang Zemin — are generally expected to hold onto their posts, at least for now.

The 1,991 delegates to the party congress, which will last about a week, will be entrusted with a minor role in addition to approving decisions already made. They will elect a Central Committee from a list of names that is a bit longer than the number of positions, so that a small percentage of candidates will lose the election.

Even if all the crucial decisions are made ahead of time, the 14th party congress will be significant in that it will suggest where the party is headed. For the last few years, China's leadership has appeared caught in a stalemate, and the need to reach decisions at the congress may force a break in the deadlock.

Moreover, the tone of the speeches will be enormously important in offering direction to local officials. If, as expected, the oratory at the congress is all about "reform," then local party secretaries all over China may be more willing to help private businesses instead of harassing them.

UNITA Generals Quit Joint Angolan Army

By Paul Taylor
Washington Post Service

JOHANNESBURG — Tension rose sharply in Angola on Tuesday as 11 UNITA generals quit the freshly created joint national army of former belligerents to protest what they said was fraud in last week's national election.

With more than 90 percent of the returns tallied, President José Eduardo dos Santos held a 51-to-39-percent lead over the leader of UNITA, Jonas Savimbi. Nine minor party candidates split the rest.

Based on the pattern of voting in the provinces, the last areas to report their vote, election officials privately predicted that Mr. dos Santos would stay just above 50 percent, avoiding a runoff election.

The nonpartisan National Electoral Council has until Friday to announce the official results, but it was not clear Tuesday if it would be able to meet the legal deadline.

As soon as the UNITA generals issued their statement, government police and armed forces increased their already heavy presence of guards around government buildings in the capital city of Luanda.

Residents began hoarding food, fearing a resumption of the 16-year civil war that ended with a peace accord in May 1991.

The joint army, made up of 20,000 army troops from the gov-



A Somali farmer with grain he was unable to sell. Relief shipments have pushed the price too low.

Shipments To Somalia Diverted

Restored

MOGADISHU, Somalia — An international airlift to feed Somalia's starving millions was suspended briefly on Tuesday after gunfire closed down Mogadishu airport and transport planes fled without unloading their cargoes.

But the United Nations World Food Program later diverted C-130 military transport planes loaded with tons of food to another airport 50 kilometers (30 miles) south of the bombed-out capital.

"At least four came in there today," an official with the food program said. "We'll probably restart operations in Mogadishu tomorrow."

Mogadishu's main international airport was calm Tuesday, a day after Canadian and Belgian transport planes came under mortar and machine-gun fire.

"I gave the all-clear on the airport this morning," said Brigadier General Imtiaz Shaheen, head of the UN force in the city. "But it is up to their own commands if they take off or not."

Many aid organizations redirected light air traffic to a dirt-strip airfield to the north of the divided city.

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Members of the Islamic Constitutional Movement celebrating in Kuwait City on Tuesday over the victory of one of their candidates.

KUWAIT: Opposition Victory

(Continued from page 1) branches of government that are free of control by the ruling family. "This is a great success for the opposition," said a newly elected member of parliament, Hamad Jouan. "This will be the first parliament in Kuwait's history in which the majority will come from the opposition. It is a clear call for change. The result indicates that most Kuwaitis think that the government has not done a good job ruling the country."

Opposition leaders have called on the emir to turn over half of the 22 cabinet posts to representatives from the pro-democracy movement, which was often at odds with the ruling family before the 1990 Iraqi invasion but which backed the emir in the struggle to liberate Kuwait.

The cabinet, which was composed of family members and their supporters, has resigned, and a new cabinet will be named by the emir within two weeks.

Western diplomats said they would be surprised if the cabinet was limited to only one or two opposition figures.

"If they do not give us a majority, then I don't know how they will govern," Mr. Jouan said. "The governing process will be deadlocked."

Most of the 278 candidates were independent, although many were affiliated with one of seven political organizations that function in lieu of political parties, banned since the constitution was suspended in 1986.

The 11 major tribes in the outlying areas are the ruling family's closest allies, often making agreements and deals with the family outside governmental channels.

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Iraq Loan Case Mishandled, Judge Says

By Martin Tolchin
New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — A federal judge has criticized the government's handling of a case involving billions of dollars in illegal bank loans to Iraq in the late 1980s, saying that he found "grave questions" about the prosecution.

The judge, Marvin H. Shoob, of U.S. District Court in Atlanta, who presided over a three-week sentencing hearing of a local banker involved in the scandal, issued a 15-page order that expanded on his previous criticism of the prosecutors.

He recommended that the trial of an Atlanta banker be postponed to enable the government "to employ its full resources to obtain all the facts."

Faced with mounting Democratic Party criticism that the govern-

ment had prevented a full investigation of the scandal, U.S. prosecutors last week reversed themselves and agreed to reject a guilty plea and bring a criminal case against Christopher P. Drogoul, manager of the Atlanta branch of Banca Nazionale del Lavoro, of Italy.

Congressional Democrats have contended that the Bush administration limited its investigation of the loans, which helped President Saddam Hussein build his arsenal, because the United States was trying to befriend the Iraqi leader.

Senator Al Gore of Tennessee, the Democratic vice-presidential nominee, pressed this case against President George Bush in a speech last week; the White House and Justice Department denied any hesitation in handling the case.

Judge Shoob's criticism dealt with the government's strategy of

portraying Mr. Drogoul as the mastermind of the loans, while the bank's senior executives in Rome were depicted as innocent victims.

The judge wrote: "There are grave questions as to how the prosecutors made their decisions in this case — both as to the nature of the charges and whom to prosecute."

He challenged assertions by U.S. prosecutors in Atlanta that they and they alone had made the major decisions in the case.

"It is apparent that decisions were made at the top levels of the United States Justice Department, State Department, Agriculture Department, and within the intelligence community to shape this case," Judge Shoob wrote, "and that information may have been withheld from local prosecutors seeking to investigate the case or used to steer the prosecution."

The judge noted that the Justice Department had canceled investigators' trips to Italy and Turkey, where they had intended to interview bank officials.

"The court concludes that prosecutors failed to investigate seriously whether BNL-Rome knew of defendant Drogoul's activities," he wrote.

Judge Shoob noted that the local prosecutor had received "highly unusual and inappropriate telephone calls" from the White House Office of Legal Counsel, "indicating the potential embarrassment level of the case."

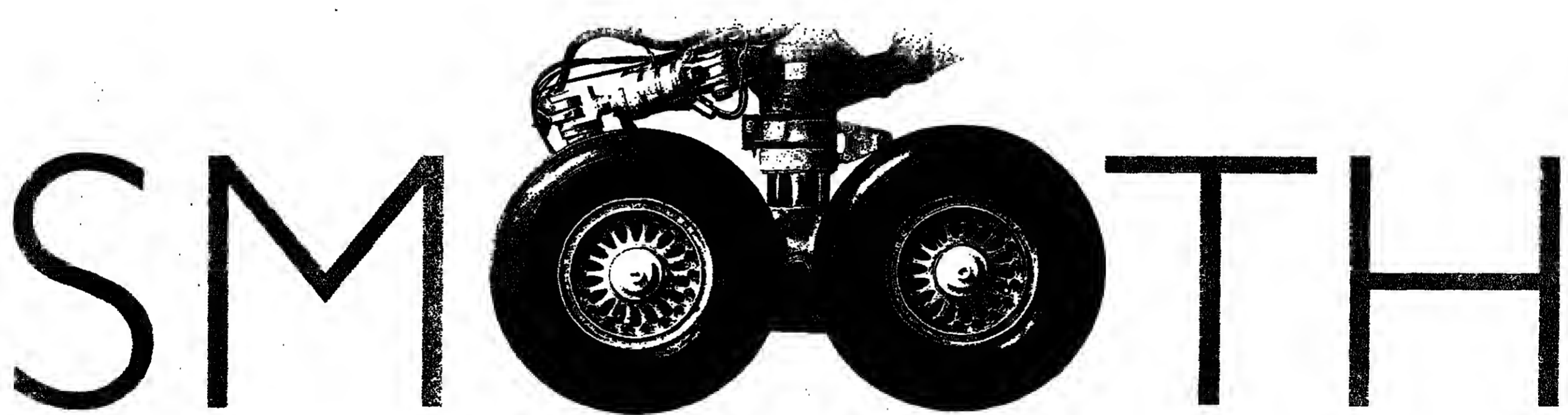
The White House has said that the calls were not intended to influence the prosecutors.

He also noted that the draft indictment had been delayed by the Justice Department for almost a year, from early 1990 until the end of the Gulf War in February 1991.

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OPINION

Welcome to the American Debatathon . . .

By William Safire

MODERATOR: Good evening and welcome to the first of the American Debatathon, or "Honey, I Shrunk the Candidates."

And yet this same country has asked for a permanent seat on the United Nations Security Council. I think Germany still has some growing up to do before it is ready for this step.

and now I remember the fourth point, we must — Moderator: Time. Clinton: Change! Moderator: Mr. Perot, your rebuttal.

Let Them Not Break Iraq Apart

By Yasmine Bahrani

WASHINGTON — Growing up in a Shiite family in Baghdad, I watched the women celebrate when a wish had been granted. I remember my aunt's friends hugging my sister and me as they came through the front door to celebrate the chi al Abbas, or the tea of Abbas, named for the uncle of the prophet Mohammed.

known name were executed. Those who were deported were defined by the regime as "Iranians whose unfaithfulness to the Ba'ath revolution and homeland was proven."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The New Germany?

I have lived in Germany for several years and have a German wife and child. I am comfortable with the country and do not have any irrational fears about a surging German monster.

But Germany has rightly accepted responsibility for the Jewish deaths and made reparations. It has not done so in the case of the Gypsies.

Perils of Single Parenthood

Regarding "Single Motherhood Is a Bad Bargain" (Meanwhile, Sept. 25) by Maggie Gallagher:

women (99 percent of them poor white Europeans) aged 16 and up have lived in our homes and passed through our drug and alcohol rehabilitation programs.

therefore, for your editorial reminder that there is a real difference — on the most important social-justice issue facing America: Mr. Bush emphatically rejects the killing of unborn human beings.

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Alternatives to Abortion

Regarding the Washington Post editorial "Abortion: Bush's Record" (Sept. 18) and "A Pro-Choice Approach to Abolishing Abortion" (Meanwhile, Sept. 18) by Ellen Goodman:

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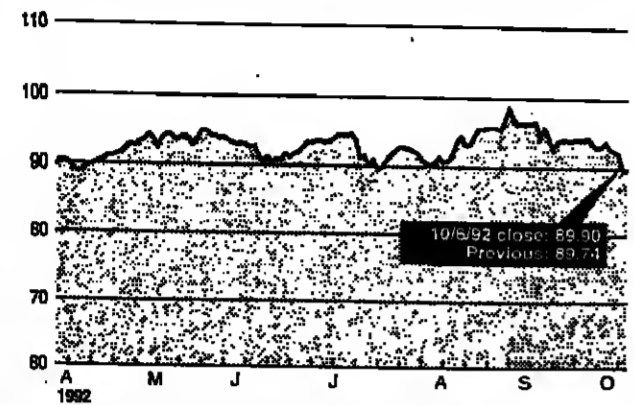
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Madrid Ease Fails to Cheer

MADRID — The Bank of Spain's partial relaxation of foreign-exchange controls will not lure back foreign investors quickly...

big fall, with pessimism about economic growth and the interest-rate outlook continuing to undermine sentiment.

The national statistics office, INSEE, said Tuesday that French gross domestic product grew only 0.1 percent in the second quarter...

Mark's Surge Isn't Helping German Slump

BONN — The German economy is still sliding toward recession, official data issued on Tuesday showed...

orders, which fell 0.4 percent in August and were down 6 percent from a year earlier.

Ulrich Hombrecht, chief economist for Westdeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale, said upheaval in the European Monetary System had strengthened the mark and threatened to attract a flood of cheap imports to Germany.

Some analysts said they expected the decline in employment in the manufacturing sector to slow down in the coming months...

Lee Iacocca's Legacy at Chrysler: 'We Survived'

Lee A. Iacocca is about to retire after 14 years as chairman of Chrysler Corp. He has mellowed. Once among the loudest critics of Japan, Mr. Iacocca no longer heaps much of the blame for Detroit's woes on Japanese trade practices...

and I mean everything — from the bottom up, it would be impossible to compete in the global market. We had to learn from the competition, not just complain about it.

but what Chrysler is becoming. We've got a pretty lean production company and we've proven to ourselves that we can make money on much smaller volumes.

Mr. Iacocca spoke to Tom Redburn of the International Herald Tribune before the opening of the Paris auto show this week. Here are excerpts.

'We had to learn from the competition, not just complain about it.'

Q. So why is Detroit still in so much difficulty? A. I thought the economy would be roaring in 1992. After all, it's an election year and this was a real co-brainer. But I was wrong.

Q. What is the legacy you are leaving behind at Chrysler? A. I've done everything I wanted to do. The first five years were murder — survival time. The next five we got swept up in the roaring '80s and thought we would do well forever.

Q. Where does Chrysler go from here? A. That's up to the new team we're leaving in place. And what I hope I'm remembered for is not what happened then, but what Chrysler is becoming.

Q. Of course, there are other problems. Half of building the car of the future will still be how we as a nation stack up against others where governments have policies that help rather than hinder. It's not their fault; it's our fault.

MEDIA MARKETS

Ad Agencies Are Braced For New Rash of Mergers

By Stuart Elliott New York Times Service NEW YORK — A significant new round of ad agency mergers and acquisitions seems imminent, although it will be far different from the buyouts that roiled the industry in the boom years of the 1980s.

Among the considerations behind the forthcoming transactions are factors like needing to bolster international capabilities, improving service in important markets like Los Angeles and New York and paying down debt taken on during the growth binge of the 1980s.

"If you want to identify the deals of five years ago as components of empire-building," said Alan J. Gottsmann, an analyst at PaineWebber in New York, "these tend to be strategic or symbiotic on an operating level."

Among the impending and expected transactions — subject to the usual derailments over price, power and client conflict — are these:

- BBDO Worldwide in New York acquiring the Ross Roy Group in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. The two agencies share a major client, Chrysler Corp., which is believed to be considering a reduction in the number of agencies on its roster.
• Hill, Holliday, Connors, Cosmopolis in Boston buying a New York-based shop to strengthen its own New York office, which has lagged behind other large agencies' operations here.
• Ketchum Communications in Pittsburgh and New York and Ayr Inc. in New York merging, combining an agency company that is stronger domestically (Ketchum) with one that is stronger internationally (Ayr).
• The Lowe Group in London acquiring Seali, McCabe, Sloves Inc. in New York from WPP Group PLC in London, which has been under financial pressure from an extensive and expensive series of deals made in the 1980s.
Susan L. Decker, an analyst at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette in New York, said.

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Investors Take Fright As Citicorp Aide Quits

NEW YORK — Citicorp's stock fell steeply on Tuesday as the departure of its president triggered worries among investors that the troubles of the largest U.S. bank holding company were not over yet.

The resignation of the executive, Richard S. Braddock, comes at a delicate time for the company, which is soon to raise \$650 million in capital through the issue of a hybrid security called preferred equity redemption cumulative stock.

The company's stock price fell 87.5 cents, or 5.8 percent, in heavy trading to close at \$14.625 on the New York Stock Exchange.

"The stock is down on consternation about Braddock leaving abruptly. All kinds of people will be saying he left because Citicorp is a sinking ship," said one analyst, who preferred not to be identified because of his brokerage's involvement with the coming issue.

Other analysts said Mr. Braddock, who is 50, might have left because he felt he had little chance of succeeding the chairman, John S. Reed, 52.

The company said Monday that Mr. Braddock was leaving because he felt "his best contribution to the recovery of Citicorp's momentum has been realized."

Citicorp, which had been pushed into loss in 1991 by its problem loans, had taken its massive restructuring and cost-cutting far enough by the second quarter of 1992 to post a \$171 million net profit. But on Monday, the bank said it expected its third-quarter earnings to decline by as much as 44 percent compared with the second quarter because of a further restructuring charge and write-offs on consumer and corporate loans.

Citicorp said the third-quarter earnings, to be released Oct. 20, would be between \$80 million to \$100 million. That comes to between 8 cents and 13 cents a share. A Merrill Lynch analyst, Judah Kraushaar, who had predicted earnings of 23 cents a share, said the Braddock resignation might suggest that yet-more-decisive restructuring was in the works at Citicorp, which has more than \$9 billion of troubled loans.

"I think they still have mountains to climb," said George Salem, a Prudential Securities analyst. "There's no light at the end of the tunnel." (Reuters, Bloomberg)

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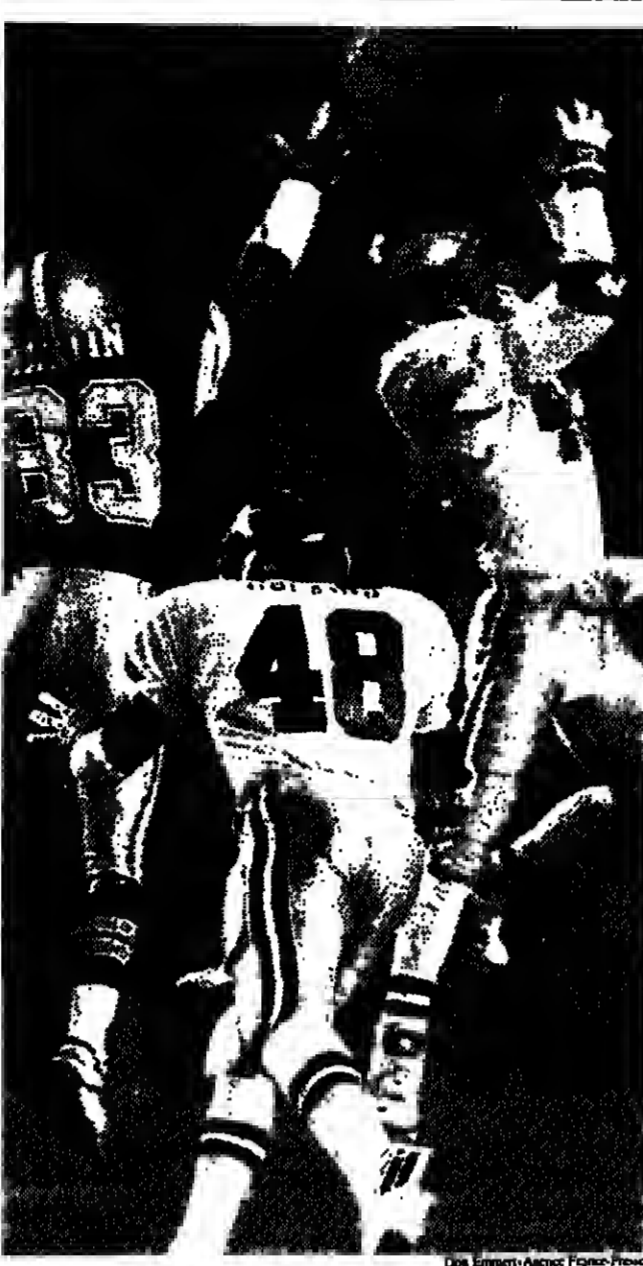
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John Bosty stepped up to get one of the Eagles' three interceptions.

Eagles Deflate the Cowboys, 31-7

By Thomas George. Philadelphia scored in eight plays, capped by Walker's 5-yard run. Walker (19 rushes for 86 yards) broke a tackle at the line of scrimmage, ran off right tackle and then got a superb block by receiver Fred Barnett on cornerback Isaac Holt.

NFL Loses \$60 Million To Labor Board, Jury

WASHINGTON — The National Football League, taking more hits than an immobile quarterback, has been sacked twice more. A federal court jury ordered the NFL's 28 teams Monday to pay \$30 million in damages for fixing wages, while a labor board told the league to pay an additional \$30 million to players who joined a 1987 walkout.

Bowman and Lemieux Signed

PITTSBURGH — The Pittsburgh Penguins finally ended the suspense Tuesday when they announced that Scotty Bowman would return as coach for the 1993-94 season. The center was voted the most valuable player in the playoffs during the Penguins' two straight Stanley Cup championships.

How the New Blue Jays and A's Match Up in the AL Playoffs

NEW YORK — The uniforms still say Oakland and Toronto, although that's about all that is similar as the Athletics and Blue Jays again meet in the American League playoffs. Toronto has revamped the team it put on the field for the 1989 playoffs. George Bell, Fred McGriff, Tony Fernandez, Mookie Wilson, Lloyd Moseby, Ernie Whit and others are gone, and with the additions of Jack Morris, Dave Winfield and David Cone, the Blue Jays believe they have a club that can bring the World Series to Canada for the first time following three playoff losses.

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Notes from 'Barbara'

By Russell Baker
NEW YORK — Bing Bigfoot moderated. His opening question lasted 43 minutes. His brilliance, his wealth of historical references, which ranged from Hammurabi to Warren G. Harding, and his savagely polite insults to the intelligence of all three candidates made it clear why Bigfoot is acclaimed as the biggest highlight in the Washington biggest sports.

On being awakened, President Bush said he resented being introduced as President Bush. Nor was he amused by Bing Bigfoot's calling him "How-gay Desi Perado." Barbara, asleep at the time, slipped him a note saying this was a sly way of calling him Jorge Dieperado. He for one did not appreciate Bigfoot's "attempt at the wit thing," he said.

Hermitage to Show Stolen Bremen Art

MOSCOW — Art masterpieces taken from Nazi Germany, including a drawing of van Gogh's "Starry Night" found on a cellar floor — have been retrieved from secret storerooms for display for the first time in 50 years. About 300 works of art that once belonged to the Bremen Museum will be exhibited next month at the Hermitage in St. Petersburg, the newspaper Komsomolskaya Pravda reported.

The Bremen collection, which includes works by Rembrandt, Dürer and Van Dyck, was found by the Soviet army during World War II in the cellar where they had been hidden for protection from bombing raids. During the war, Soviet soldiers seized art from the Nazis as "war trophies" considered to be compensation for massive Soviet losses.

Has the French Café Lost All Its Flavor?

PARIS — The fizz has gone out of la limonade, the generic term for drinks served in cafés. Faced by rising rents, competition from fast foods, a drop in the consumption of alcohol and what the French call le stress, which leaves little time for idling over a coffee or a beer, the traditional French café is in the soup.

MARY BLUME

1960, the total number of cafés in France has dropped from 200,000 to 70,000 and, according to a recent survey, 53 percent of the French couldn't care less. On the other hand, when asked if the café is an indispensable part of life, 62 percent of those questioned replied yes. This may be a statistical quirk or, more likely, confirmation of the fact that no one likes to see a quintessential part of French life — be it the policeman's kipi, the open-platform bus or the zinc counter of a café — disappear.

A television program about the dying café on France 2 last week showed the French much as they like to see themselves — joyous and convivial; old men with gleaming white mustaches and bright eyes playing belote, the young slim and bright with promise, the café owner friendly and wise, and everywhere the sound of an accordion and the haze of good Gauloises smoke.

The television program about the demise of the café was a good image-builder, says Anik Biron, a 45-year-old café owner who has been in the business since her teens. "People don't have much respect for us, particularly doctors and dentists," she states. Doctors and dentists probably don't grab a coffee and croissant on their way to work or duck into a café-sous-sol for a telephone call or dream of picking up a pretty girl on a café terrace in July when the wife and kiddies are away.

Office workers and managers rarely have a drink in a



An endangered species: A quintessential café photographed by Robert Doisneau in 1953.

café during the day although one banker says he has a petit rouge if faced with a particularly boring business lunch. "On the other hand, I would never have a drink after lunch," he says. "That would brand me as a drunk." If the traditional café is losing ground, the Philippe Starck-designed Café Costes in Les Halles is doing well — Anik Biron, inspired, is thinking of giving Le Buci more of a designer look — and so is the carefully old-fashioned Café de l'Industrie near the Bastille. Some cafés now serve tapas or fiery Brazilian drinks, but the simplest way to earn bread is to change the bread: ham served on a single slice of Poilane's country style loaf instead of between chunks of cotyony bagelette increases the profit margin and improves the image, as does calling the establishment a wine bar instead of a café.

On the Ile de la Cité, Robert Cointepas changed the name of his café-rabac to the Tavernes Marini IV in 1980. He specializes in country-style hams, pâtés and chaussons and Poilane bread with good wine by the glass and has never looked back. "The tabac side was a loser," he says, and most café owners agree. To get a government concession to sell stamps and cigarettes is regarded as a nuisance and an almost certain loss because of pilfering. "Unless your wife

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Woody Allen Threatens Vanity Fair With Suit

Woody Allen's lawyers threatened Tuesday to sue Vanity Fair magazine for libel if it distributes its November issue next week with a story repeating allegations that he sexually abused the seven-year-old daughter he and Mia Farrow adopted. His lawyers said they would also sue Maureen Orth, the writer, and sources named in the story "at the appropriate time." The magazine said it was standing by the story. Its editors said Orth interviewed 40 people, including 24 on "intimate terms with the subjects," who backed Farrow's contention that Allen did abuse Dylan Farrow.

Madonna wins one: The French government Tuesday ordered border police at Le Havre to release 25,000 seized copies of her book "Sex," in time for its world release on Oct. 21. Border police apparently were concerned about whether it was pornographic.

Michael Jackson, dropping the last three concerts of his European tour because of a throat condition, has gone to Los Angeles.

The Oscar late John Lennon won in 1970 for the song "Let It Be" was sold at auction in New York for \$110,000 to a Beatles fan who asked to remain anonymous. The seller bought the starburst for \$600 at a 1976 auction.

David McCullough, author of an acclaimed biography of Harry Truman, is among the finalists for the National Book Awards. The three winners — in fiction, nonfiction and poetry — will be announced Nov. 18; each receives \$10,000. The finalists in fiction include Dorothy Allison for "Bastard Out of Carolina," Cristina Garcia for "Dreaming in Cuban," Robert Stone for "Outerbridge Reach," Edward P. Jones for "Lost in the City" and Cormac McCarthy for "All the Pretty Horses." The finalists in nonfiction besides McCullough are Edward L. Ayers for "The Promise of the New South"; James Gleick for "Genius: The Life and Science of Richard Feynman"; Paul Monette for his autobiography, "Becoming a Man: Half a Life Story"; and Garry Wills for "Lincoln at Gettysburg: The Words that Remade America."

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